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June 22, 2006

CONGREGATION EPHRAIM ISRAEL
Mr. Claude Guillemette
3220 Mariner Bay Street
Las Vegas, NV 89117-2290

CONGREGATION EPHRAIM ISRAEL
Mr. Claude Guillemette
8270 Florine Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89129-4841

RE: Property Address: 3220 Mariner Bay Street, Las Vegas, Nevada
Property Owner: Congregation Ephraim Israel /Claude Guillemette

Dear Congregation Ephraim Israel / Mr. Guillemette:

As you know, the City Council met on Wednesday, June 21, 2006, to consider a Report of Expenses for work the City has had done at the above-referenced property to bring it into compliance with City codes. During the meeting, Councilman Steve Wolfson, the representative for the Ward your property is located in, expressed serious concerns with the property and your ongoing failure to cooperate with City staff. As such, Councilman Wolfson asked that the matter be held in abeyance until July 12, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. so we could write you this correspondence demanding that you bring this property into compliance immediately.

Councilman Wolfson also requested that you personally appear at the July 12, 2006, City Council meeting to explain the why this property is in the current state of disrepair. The Councilman was also particularly concerned with the empty pool in the backyard and how children would be protected from being injured without a lock on the gate and a sign in the front of the property warning parents of the possible dangers related to the empty pool.

As you are aware, the City was seeking reimbursement for clean up costs. In addition, at the next meeting the Council will consider the staff recommended reimbursement for inspection fees (currently \$225.00) and civil penalties which currently range from \$950.00 to a maximum amount of \$9,500.00. The fee and penalty structure was outlined in the Ten (10) Day Notice Before Abatement that was provided to you on March 9, 2006.

You should be aware that the City Council takes these matters very seriously and you may be subject to substantial fees and fines if you do not appear at the next Council meeting. In the event the City Council imposes the fees and fines the City will use all available legal remedies to collect the monies, including possible litigation, garnishment and a lien on the property.

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Our recommendation is that you contact this office immediately to discuss this matter. In the meantime, if you should have any questions, comments or concerns regarding any of the above-referenced matters feel free to contact me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

BRADFORD R. JERBIC
City Attorney

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan A. Still", is written over the printed name of Daniel A. Still.

DANIEL A. STILL
Deputy City Attorney

DAS:ck

cc: Councilman Steve Wolfson
Stephen Harsin
Devin Smith